

# COMMUNITY NEWS



**FARRIS NAMED PAUL HARRIS FELLOW.**—The Paul Harris Fellowship is named for Paul Harris, who founded Rotary with three business associates in Chicago in 1905. The Fellowship was established in his honor in 1957 to express appreciation for a contribution of \$1,000 to the humanitarian and educational programs of The Rotary Foundation. Those programs include an array of projects that save and invigorate the lives of people around the world and enhance international friendships and understanding. Foundation programs provide educational opportunities, food, potable water, health care, immunizations, and shelter for millions of persons. These activities are funded, implemented and managed by Rotarians and Rotary Clubs around the globe. Rotarians also designate a Paul Harris Fellow to recognize another person whose life demonstrates a shared purpose with the objectives and mission of The Rotary Foundation to build world understanding and peace. Dr. Billy Farris (left) of Elba recently was selected to receive this recognition because his life exemplifies the humanitarian and educational objectives of The Rotary Foundation. He was presented a certificate and medal by Elba Rotary Club president Josh Wilson (right).

## Jobs available with four manufacturers in Southeast Alabama

Four Wiregrass manufacturers are seeking to fill a variety of jobs. Automotive suppliers in Elba and Eufaula are seeking production workers. A steel manufacturer in Ozark is seeking steel detailers, a supervisor and an engineer. A new distribution company in Geneva is seeking warehouse selectors, receivers, forklift operators and loaders.

Job seekers must complete AIDT training to be considered for production employment. Training is not required for the supervisor and engineer jobs in Ozark.

Elba's automotive supplier, Toledo Molding & Die, specializes in injection and blow molding plastic parts. Training applications for TMD job seekers are available at the plant located at 375 Highway 203 (State Road 189) and at Alabama Career Centers in Andalusia at 312 West Gate Plaza and at 2021 Boll Weevil Circle in Enterprise.

Hyundai Polytech Co., LTD, in Eufaula specializes in anti-vibration rubber and thermoplastic rubber products for automotive parts. Training applications for these jobs are available at the Alabama Career Center in Eufaula at 122 Paul Lee

Parkway. Ozark's fast growing steel manufacturer, New Millennium Building Systems LLC, produces steel joist and deck products. Starting wages for production workers range from \$13 to \$20 per hour, based on experience.

New Millennium training and job applications are available at the Ozark Technology Center on U.S. Highway 231 South in Ozark and at the Alabama Career Centers in Enterprise, 2021 Boll Weevil Circle, and in Dothan, 1950 Reeves Street.

SYSCO, the nation's largest foodservice distribution company, which recently announced its new location in Geneva, provides merchandise to restaurants, hospitals, schools and summer camps. AIDT training

applications for these jobs are available in Geneva at City Hall and at the Alabama Career Centers throughout the state, and online at the Alabama Job Link web site <www.joblink.alabama.gov> and the AIDT web site <www.aidt.edu/companyjobs.htm>.

Details about job requirements and employee benefits are available at Alabama Career Centers throughout the state, and online at the Alabama Job Link web site <www.joblink.alabama.gov> and the AIDT web site <www.aidt.edu/companyjobs.htm>.

## Notice of Construction in Area:

The Alabama Department of Transportation informs the public that Bullard Excavating Inc. began work Wednesday, Aug. 10, on constructing the planing, resurfacing and traffic stripe on various routes in and around Opp. The length of the project is 9.174 miles in the counties of Covington and Coffee. The entire project is to be completed in 55 working days.

Any inquiry concerning this work should be directed to the following: Thad Perkins, project superintendent (334) 488-4170; William Wofford, district engineer (334) 222-5555; or Scotty Jones, project engineer (334) 493-9393.



**Coffee County Circuit Clerk Mickey Counts** (right) is shown receiving a 90-hour Certificate from Randy Helms (left), ADC, at the Circuit Clerks Annual Conference on July 8, 2005. In 1992 the Alabama Judicial College and representatives of the Circuit Clerks Association started and continuing education certificate program. As a Circuit Clerk, there is no requirement to acquire continuing education credits. But, the Alabama Circuit Clerks Association recognized the importance of continuing education as a method of building a strong judicial system and being responsive to the citizens of the state. The awards are presented in 90-hour increments, which must be obtained within a four-year period and with programs conducted within the State of Alabama.

## \*NOTICE\*

A new site on the web has been created that allows people to share their old memories, myths and tales of Elba and Western Coffee County with others.

The site is located at: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ourcoelbatales>

The site was created by Alice Faye (Dot) Gatlin Merrill and her husband Eldon L. Merrill.

Everyone is encouraged to visit the site to look at the information already posted and/or post their own stories.

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# The Elba Clipper

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## City of Elba applying for recreation grant

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council made several board appointments at their August 8th meeting.

Scott Kelley was approved for another three year term on the Elba Zoning Board of Adjustments.

Marty Marler was named to the unexpired term of Jeff Kelley on the Industrial Development board. This term expires in February 2007.

The entire board of the Health Care Authority of Elba was reappointed. This group operates the Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home. Mayor James Grimes noted the hospital and nursing home were well run and operating efficiently. They need no funds from the City of Elba and are looking at plans for some much needed expansion.

Chairman Drexel Cook was reappointed to a term which expires on November 12, 2010. Secretary Carolyn Brunson was reappointed to a term which expires on November 12, 2009.

The same term was set in the reappointment of Pete Cash while Cabert Mills was reappointed for a term which ends on November 12, 2007. Daniel Stephens is the only new member of this authority, replacing the late Clayton Hickman. He term expires on November 12, 2007.

The city is applying for a recreation grant. The grant will cover 50% of the reprinted \$164,000 cost of the planned projects.

Included in this work will be

## Hey, Leslie 'What's Happening' show set to feature City of Elba

A production crew from WSFA Channel 12 of Montgomery visited Elba last week to film material for an upcoming weekly show.

'Hey, Leslie 'What's Happening' airs weekdays on WSFA and recently the show expanded. That's where Elba benefits.

The City of Elba was chosen to be featured on the Hey, Leslie 'What's Happening - City Tour'. The purpose of this excursion is to feature the happenings of cities within the WSFA viewing area.

Show host Leslie Bailey and her film crew visited Elba last week to get the material she will use in featuring the City of Elba. Elba Chamber of Commerce executive director Kaye Whitworth said everyone involved with the project is excited to see the final result.

Chamber of commerce officials served as tour guides for Leslie, and Whitworth said they visited several areas within the city. She said the tour began on

new restrooms, improved parking and an irrigation system at Legion Field. Also included will be the resurfacing and enclosing with a wind fence the existing tennis courts at Hawkins-Williams Park.

Some of the matching part of the project can be "in-kind" work by city employees. The grant is being sought from the Land and Water Conservation Fund of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs.

An additional, major park renovation grant application is in the planning stages. It will come from another grant source.

Reviewing the financial statement, Mayor James Grimes reported the nine month numbers indicate the City of Elba is "doing okay". This statement does not include the budget amendments recently added by the council to cover increased fuel costs. That will be reflected on the financial statements next month.

## Test scores bring excitement to Elba City Schools

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Excitement fills the air every year when a new school term begins, but excitement has been especially grand at Elba City Schools for the beginning of the 2005-06 school term.

The Alabama Department of Education recently published school status reports and the news was good for Elba City Schools.

"In my six years as superin-

dent, this is the best news we've gotten," said Elba City Schools superintendent Danny Weeks. "This is a huge success and the staff should be commended for the great job they've done."

Weeks has said time and time again that accountability is the big word in the school business, and the Elba City Schools met accountability requirements head on for 2005-06.

The status report for 2004-05 at Elba Elementary School showed the school met 11 goals out of 17 (64.71 percent). The status report for the 2005-06 school terms shows Elba Elementary met 17 of 17 goals (100 percent).

For testing the goal was 95 percent and the school had a 100 percent participation.

The attendance goal for 2004-05 was 95 percent and the school received 96 percent for all students.

The news for Elba High School also was good.

The 2004-05 report found Elba High meeting nine goals out of 13 (69.23 percent), but the 2005-06 report showed the school meeting 16 of 17 goals (94.12 percent).

The high school also exceeded the goals for testing participation.

Within the past week and a half, the Kinston Police Department and Coffee County Sheriff's Department led to the arrests of two other individuals.

Finer said Jennifer Gilmore Brewer of Kinston was arrested and charged with criminal possession of a forged instrument. She was placed in the Coffee County Jail with bond set at \$5,000.

Jamie Johnson of Kinston turned himself in to authorities

with criminal possession of a forged instrument. Finer said he was placed in the Coffee County Jail.

In a non-related case, Finer said Beau Nobles was stopped Friday, Aug. 12, on a traffic stop and charged with driving with a revoked driver's license and unlawfully carrying a pistol. He was transported to the Coffee County Jail.

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**EMERGENCY PERSONNEL**, responded Tuesday morning, Aug. 16, to the scene of a one-vehicle accident on Alabama Highway 125 just north of the Coffee County Landfill. According to reports, a Chevrolet Impala driven by Jennifer Senn Killingsworth left the roadway and slammed into trees and bushes before coming to a stop. Officials at the scene said she was conscious but complaining with pain the upper body following the incident. A unit from Coffee County EMS transported her to a local hospital for observation. Also responding to the scene were members of the Elba Fire Department. The accident was investigated by the Alabama State Troopers office.

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With the Alabama Reading and Mathematics testing, Weeks said there are four achievement levels: Level 1 (does not meet standards); Level 2 (partially meets standards); Level 3 (meets standards); and Level 4 (exceeds standards).

The superintendent said he was extremely pleased with these test scores.

"With our new reading program, I believe things are only going to get better," he said.

In regards to the reading test, third grade had 81 percent of students either meeting or exceeding the standards; fourth grade had 90 percent meeting or exceeding standards; fifth grade had 71 percent meeting or exceeding standards; sixth grade had 88 percent meeting or exceeding; seventh grade had 82 percent meeting or exceeding; and eighth grade had 83 percent meeting or exceeding.

Weeks was also impressed with the math scores.

Third grade had 73 percent meeting or exceeding standards; fourth grade had 75 percent meeting or exceeding; fifth grade had 76 percent meeting or exceeding; sixth grade had 73 percent meeting or exceeding;

seventh grade had 70 percent meeting or exceeding; eighth grade had 74 percent meeting or exceeding.

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## Area Happenings

**THE FIFTH ANNUAL "FOGGY BOTTOM CLASSIC"** presents a football game featuring the Elba Tigers vs. the Arden Purple Cats will be Friday, Aug. 19, at 7 p.m. at Miller Memorial Stadium in Elba.

**THE COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** will meet Monday, Aug. 22, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

Hometime firefighters will hit the pavement during the 20th annual "Fill the Boot" for local children and adults with neuromuscular diseases. Elba firefighters will be at the intersection of Highway 84 and County Road 203 and at the intersection of

The firefighters will be out collecting donations from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and are asking that the community support their efforts to defeat muscular dystrophy. In 2004, the Elba firefighters collected \$2,600.

The proceeds will be used locally to provide services for individuals with neuromuscular diseases, including MDA clinics at the Baptist Hospital in Montgomery, support group sessions, and assistance with the purchase of medical equipment. The Fill-the-Boot efforts will

also help fund vital research to find cures for over 40 neuromuscular diseases, and help support the local MDA's Summer Camp ASCCA in Jackson Gap, AL.

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## EDITORIAL

## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

It is tragic to read of the 71 year old man who went into an Atlanta hospital this week and shot his very sick wife and then turned the gun on himself. Two lives ended immediately but both were obviously suffering. She was in intensive care and things were not going well for her. The husband apparently couldn't handle her suffering and health problems which were getting worse. He surely knew what he was doing was wrong, but took what was left of her life. He knew society couldn't accept his drastic action and thus ended his time on earth the same way he had ended hers... with a bullet. Do we support such an action? Gosh no, but do think we understand what drove this husband to commit such a gruesome act. He loved her completely and wanted to take her pain from her. This was overly drastic, but in his distorted thinking was the only way left to help her become pain free, thus he obviously felt it was justified. Sad but it has happened before and will undoubtedly happen again, but hopefully not soon.

The Alabama Legislature was very successful in the recently completed special session. All the lawmakers went home from Montgomery justifiably proud of their work. There was also a strong belief of being finished with lawmaking until the regular session of 2006, scheduled for January. All mention of another special session was brushed off as being unnecessary. Now even the governor's office admits to considering still another session this fall. This one would be to tackle Alabama's out-of-control prison problems. The problems include both overcrowding and understaffing, along with (or probably because of) underfunding. Governor Bob Riley did good last month, getting his bills passed, but the Department of Corrections problems are not so easily solved. Right now there is virtually no organized support among lawmakers for - well for anything that will solve the problem permanently. It will reportedly take a bunch of additional money to make amends for the existing prison problems and this money can only come from - us - the taxpayers of Alabama.

Many of our friends seem to be so narrow minded. Even our own Methodist preacher thinks his grandchild is the grandest, in spite of having seen two of our darlings. A fellow newspaper publisher had the nerve last month to write a whole editorial about his new grandchild being the grandest. Of course he has never seen our darlings, so can please innocence. The truth is one of these folks, or a certain fellow Sunday School class member, may have claim to having the "third" grandest grandchild, but that is as close as anyone of them can ever get... we have spoken and speak the truth, even if it is a bit biased. Truthfully we pray that every person with grandchildren has the same admiration for these youngsters in their life. After all, they are the very people who will one day be making laws and the decisions on which nursing home we are in and the quality of care we receive.

Tuesday of this week was the day for bankruptcy court decision making on the disposition of the Dorsey Trailer assets. At this writing (on Tuesday) no word has filtered down on what the judge said. As late as Monday afternoon there were still serious negotiations going on in an effort to present an acceptable plan to the federal judge. Hopefully we will again hear the sweet hum of machinery in that plant as skilled Elba workers turn out fine, coveted over-the-road trailers.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, August 8, 2005, investigated the following incidents: one house fire, one theft of property, two for domestic violence, one burglary, two for criminal mischief, one harassing communications, one forgery, one harassment and one dog bite.

The following arrests were made: two for failure to pay and one for domestic violence. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: three for speeding, one for no insurance, one for a canceled driver's license and four for a suspended driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: **MONDAY, AUGUST 8** - River stage - 9.95 feet (7:00 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a house fire on Smith Ave. (2:12 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Smith Ave. (2:23 p.m.); Subject with a gun reported in the area of Cedar Lane Dr. (3:24 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 391 Brunson Circle (5:56 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 9** - Prowler reported at Burch's Trailer Court (5:54 a.m.); Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 7095 County Rd. 410 (7:55 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 1133 Neil Grantham Dr. (1:15 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10** - Domestic disturbance reported at 442 Reese Ave. (11:59 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to 705 Putnam St. (11:28 p.m.).

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 11** - River stage - 9.56 feet (7:00 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Zion Chapel Elementary School (7:44 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1311 Reese Ave. (10:09 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 430 Plant Ave. (1:37 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 12** - Prowler reported at 707

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It was recently learned that the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) experienced an unforeseen funding shortage for the current year that amounted to a considerable \$1.5 billion. According to the VA, the budget shortfall was partly due to several factors including an increasing veterans population returning from Iraq and Afghanistan as well as an unanticipated demand for veterans' health care. Congress has quickly responded to provide the needed funds.

Even before the shortfall was addressed, this has been an active year as the U.S. House has already passed major new funding for the VA. On May 26th, the House passed the Fiscal Year 2006 Military Quality of Life and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act (HR 2528). This spending measure builds on a decade-long trend of substantial gains in veterans' benefits and funding. It provides a total of \$68.1 billion to the VA - an increase of 77 percent since 1995. This funding includes \$31.7 billion for veter-

ans benefits and services, \$297 million above President Bush's budget request.

These funds would allow the VA to care for more than 5.2 million patients and ensure that servicemembers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan and their families receive timely, high quality services. In addition, HR 2528 allocates \$33.4 billion for compensation, pension and burial benefits - an increase of over \$805 million above last year's level. In fact, since 1995, total spending per veteran has increased by 103 percent to \$2,773. Moreover, HR 2528 does not establish an enrollment fee for medical care or increase prescription drug co-payments for any veteran.

In line with Congress' oversight responsibility, on June 23rd, the House VA Committee held a hearing to examine procedures used by the VA to determine future healthcare costs. At this hearing, the Director of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA), Dr. Jonathan Perlin, revealed there was a significant funding shortfall for the current fiscal year.

due in large part, to weaknesses in the processes used by the VA to forecast healthcare demand and formulate budgets.

In an effort to explore the full impact of this budget shortfall, the House VA Committee called for a second hearing on June 30th, during which Secretary of the VA Jim Nicholson, testified before the committee that the VA would need \$975 million in additional funds to correct the shortfall in veterans' healthcare funding for the current year. In an immediate response, the House unanimously passed the Veterans' Healthcare Supplemental Appropriations Act (HR 3130) that same day. This measure provided the \$975 million requested by the VA for veteran healthcare, which we initially thought would solve this problem.

However, shortly after passage of HR 3130, the VA announced that the agency needed an additional \$300 million on top of the \$975 million it requested just days earlier. After assurances from VA officials that the needs of veterans

could be met with these additional resources, Congress included an additional \$1.5 billion for VA health care in the final version of the Interior and Environment Appropriations Act (HR 2361) which was signed into law by President Bush on August 2.

The VA has pledged to improve its budget forecasting and to work more closely with Congress so that lawmakers can provide the agency with adequate funding. Meanwhile, the House VA Committee, of which I am a member, is closely monitoring the VA's progress to ensure that all our veterans continue to have access to well-earned care and benefits.

## BULLETIN BOARD

• ABUSING CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THROUGH CHRIST A.R.M.S. addition recovery ministry services - Thurs - 7 p.m. - In Baptist Church: Call 565-3970 or visit the website: www.inobaptist.com

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• ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

• CRISES SUPPORT GROUP - every Monday 6:30 p.m. Elba United Methodist Church-enter on side on W. Davis St.-Maggs Garrett Classroom

• COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex off New Brockton

• LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center

• ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 2nd Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - School Office

• AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Tuesday of every month 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy

• MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center

• BAND ROOSTERS - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School

• VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri 8:12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-5553

• COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House

• COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise

• ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 2nd Thursday at noon, Driscoll Hangar at the Airport

• AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month

• ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - 1st & 3rd Monday - 7 p.m. - Elba High boys locker room

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## Obituaries

GASTON LEROY HUDSON  
Mr. Gaston Leroy Hudson, age 69, of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, Aug. 9, 2005 at his residence in Elba.

Funeral services were held Aug. 12, 2005 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Wayne Webber and Rev. Mart Gray officiating. Burial followed in the Hudson Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife: Alice Nelline Hudson, Elba;

mother: Lois Hudson, Elba; one daughter: Charlotte Ann (husband, Ken) Anderson, Elba; two sisters: Trudie (husband, Wildon) Bryan, Elba; Mildred (husband, Frank) Cosby, Dothan, Ala.; one brother: Harold (wife, Sheila) Hudson, Elba; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

NAOMI ELIZABETH EILAND  
Mrs. Naomi Elizabeth "Maw Maw" Eiland, age 90, of

Montgomery, Ala., the last of eight children of George and Sarah Morris of Elizabeth City, N.C. died Tuesday, August 9, 2005 at Crown Health Care of Montgomery.

Mrs. Eiland was formally of the Basin community in Coffee County Ala.

Funeral services were held Aug. 11, 2005 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Hubert Spann officiating. Burial followed in the New Home Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Eiland was preceded in death by her husband, Glenn Eiland; and a grandson.

Survivors include one son: Roy Eiland, Wetumpka, Ala.; one daughter: Violet (husband, Dennis) Jones, Montgomery; and two grandchildren.

JAMES ELMER MYERS  
Mr. James Elmer Myers, age 84, of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Aug. 13, 2005 at Elba General Hospital in Elba.

Funeral services were held at the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel in Elba on Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2005 at 4:30 p.m. with Rev. Larry Grimm officiating. Burial followed in the Mt. Gilead Church Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

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LUNA KIMBRO ROBERTS  
Mrs. Luna Kimbro Roberts, age 95, of 987 Drayton Drive, Elba, Ala., died Sunday, Aug. 14, 2005 at Elba Nursing Home in Elba.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Aug. 17, at 11 a.m. from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Elder Fred Averette officiating. Burial followed in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Roberts was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Roberts; one son, Joseph Leo Roberts; four sisters, Nancy Turne, Noble Kimbro, Wilma Sasser, Quinnie Wallace; and two brothers, James Kimbro and Joe Rex Kimbro.

Survivors include four daughters: Betty R. (husband, Harold) Walker, Birmingham, Ala.; Cleo L. (Finney, Nicholas T. Thomas) Hiner, Dallas, Texas; Linda R. (husband, Frank) Herrington, Acworth, Ga.; Joette Roberts, Birmingham; one daughter-in-law: Hazel Roberts, Marietta, Ga.; three sisters: Bessie Gibson, Ruth Napper and Mary Smallwood, all of Columbus, Ga.; one brother: Leon Kimbro, Albany, Ga.; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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# CHURCH & AREA NEWS

## New Haven Baptist Church to observe Homecoming Sunday, August 28th

New Haven Baptist Church, located on County Road 410, Elba, will celebrate Homecoming Sunday, Aug. 28. Morning Worship and Singing will begin at 10 a.m. with lunch following immediately after worship services. Everyone is invited to services and lunch.

## Annual Usher Day Celebration set for Sunday, August 28 at Johns Chapel AME

The Annual Usher Day Celebration will be held on Sunday, August 28 at 3:00 p.m. at the Johns Chapel AME Church in Enterprise. The afternoon message will be delivered by the Reverend S. R. Perkins, Pastor of the Stringer Street AME Church in Dothan. Pastor Perkins has served in the following Wiregrass churches in the South Alabama Conference of the AME Church: St. Emmanuel in Eufaula, St. Stephens in Samson, St. Stephens in Opp, the Elba Circuit, Collins Chapel in New Brockton, and Allen Chapel in Skipperville. Reverend Perkins will explore the theme, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:16. Reverend Perkins is returning to Johns Chapel, where he preached his first sermon more than a decade ago. The successful business owner is married to the former Vicki Scott, an Enterprise native, and is the grandson of the late Ray Scometers, longtime successful Enterprise businessman. For more information, please call Betty Simmons, Usher Board President, at 347-9288.

## Holy Ghost Revival to be held at Faith Chapel

Holy Ghost Revival will be held Friday, August 19th through Sunday, August 21st at Faith Chapel. It is located 2 miles north of Perry Store on 189, Kinston, Ala. The service times are Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. and

## Harvest Home Celebration planned for Sunday, August 20 at The Greater Bethel AME Church

Presiding Elder Willis N. Huggins will hold the Annual Ozark-Troy District Harvest Home Celebration on Saturday, August 20 at the Greater Bethel AME Church in Brundidge. Ministers are asked to meet with the Elder at 9:00 a.m., followed by a business session with Ozark-Troy District members. The worship services will begin at 10:00 a.m. The morning message will be brought by the Reverend J. T. Hines, Pastor of Sweet Hope AME Church in Elamville. This is the last district meeting for this conference year, which ends at the convening of the South Alabama Annual Conference on September 15. For more information, please call 334-445-4040.

## Area students on honor rolls at Troy University

Troy University has announced the honor students for the summer semester, according to Dr. Ed Roach, Senior Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost. Full-time undergraduate students who earned a 4.0 grade point average for the semester are recognized on the Chancellor's List, the university's top honor roll. Full-time undergraduate students who earned a grade point average of 3.65 or higher on a 4.0 scale are recognized on the Provost's List. On the Chancellor's list from Elba is Mary A. Beasly. On the Provost's list from Elba is Stephen L. Adcock.

## ROUND & ABOUT WITH ERIA 897-2006

SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 1:1-31

\*\*\*THINKING OF YOU, PRAYING FOR YOU:

The Stoudermire and Peterson families, Alan Belcher, Rev. John Grayer, Paul Belcher, Hazel Scott, Minister Robert Edwards, Nettie Ruth Hogan, Larry Edwards, Barbara Tillis, Mary Sue Dawson, Burlive Jones

\*\*\*AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:

Otis and Joyce Johnson - August 15 (W.A.), Lisa Carpenter - Aug. 15, Ree Nita Brooks - Aug. 17, Ronnie Hammonds - Aug. 17, Mert Mincey - Aug. 20 (In memory of), J.L. Williams - Aug. 20, Chastity Williams - Aug. 20.

\*\*\*CHOIR ANNIVERSARY:

The Choir Anniversary of the Piney Grove Baptist Church, August 21, 2005 at 2:30 p.m.

\*\*\*LOVE PROGRAM:

A Love Program will be held for the Pamela Edwards of Linciate of the Shady Grove AME Church of Elba on August 19, 2005 at 7 p.m. The guest speaker will be Sis. Barbara Rigby and Sis. Eria Lindsey Belcher, M.C.

\*\*\*ANNUAL CHAIR ANNIVERSARY:

The Annual Chair Anniversary will be celebrated at Nazareth Church of Opp, Ala. on August 20, 2005 at 7 p.m. All soloists and choir are invited. The guest choir will be Minister Roderick Rideaux and the Anointed Voices. The Mistress of Ceremony will be Minister Marie Heard. The senior choir is male choir and combined choir is the junior choir.

\*\*\*AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY:

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## Glenwood Baptist Church to host gospel sing

Glenwood Assembly of God Troy will be the guest singing will host a gospel sing Saturday, August 20th at 7:00 p.m. The Lighthouse Singers from

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Ron Stallard, Pastor Elba Church Of God

## There is no replacement for love

Love is a something we all seek, for ourselves and for others. It is good to love and to be loved. This is why I love the United States of America.

We have the freedom to choose for ourselves how we want to live. God could have made us to automatically worship Him and choose to be one of His. This would be of no value to God. He wants us to love Him and one another because we choose to. We must do it on our own. I have found we as a people can put hate and bitterness in our hearts and justify our feelings. We become trapped in our own snare. We can not find happiness without love.

I chose to love everyone. There is no guarantee they will love me back, but I must answer to God and my own heart. In this country we can disagree with one another but still have love. I gain nothing. I can make everything right. The Bible makes it clear that love is more important than anything else.

1 Cor 13:1-7 1. If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. 2. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. 4. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 6. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 7. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. (from New International Version)

I have seen evil imitate good. I know the Devil can copy speaking in tongues and this makes it difficult to trust Him. The Devil can even do deeds signs and wonders. The one thing He can't do is love. It is not in his makeup. He lost the ability to love when He was cast out of heaven.

On the other hand Jesus makes it clear He will know us by our love for one another. John 13:34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." This love is not limited to just Christians but to everyone. Matt 5:43 "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I tell you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 that you may be sons of your Father in heaven.

If we follow this commandment and love one another, crime would stop. Prisons would be closed and prejudice would no longer exist. The only way we can come to this kind of love is through Jesus Christ Lord and Savior of the world. Will this make us all the same and we will all agree with one another. No it will not. It will only let us live together in peace. Jesus is the answer to our frustrations and our unhappiness. We may all be different but we can still love one another with Gods help.

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/s/ Robert Clayton Hickman, Jr.  
Personal Representative  
8/4, 11 & 18 pd.

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**STATE OF ALABAMA. IN THE MATTER OF KEELEIGH MAREE WAMBLES a minor child. IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION** Case No. JU 03-76-03 NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that Wanda Edmondson and her husband, Ronny Edmondson, have filed a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights in the Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, in the above named minor child. If you should have any reason why this Petition to Terminate Parental Rights should not be granted in this matter, you are required to contact the said Court immediately. Done this 20th day of July, 2005.

**JAMES MICKEY COUNTS, CLERK**  
COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA  
7/28, 8/4, 11 & 18 chg.

**ESTATE OF ROBERT CLAYTON HICKMAN DECEASED PROBATE COURT PC-05-70**

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/s/ Michael Scott Brown  
Personal Representative  
8/4, 11 & 18 pd.

**ESTATE OF BERNICE DEVANE NICHOLS DECEASED PROBATE COURT PC-05-68**

Letters Testimonial of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned the 16th day of August, 2005, by the Hon. William O. Gammill, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Betty Hudson  
Personal Representative  
8/16, 25 & 9/1 pd.

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Notice is hereby given that Griner Dillingham Service, Inc., 11100 Highway 31 North, Spanish Fort, Alabama 36527 has completed work for the City of Elba Water and Electric Board. All work was completed in accordance with the terms of the contract. The City of Elba Water and Electric Board will be responsible for the payment of the bill for the work.

**ESTATE OF FLOYD H. BROOKS DECEASED PROBATE COURT PC-05-72**

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/s/ DeWayne Brooks  
Personal Representative  
8/11, 18 & 25 pd.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA IN RE: The Estate of Jeremiah Delshun McMiller, deceased** Case No. PC-05-78

Letters of Administration on the estate of Jeremiah Delshun McMiller, deceased, having been granted to Michael Hooks and Kristie Hooks on the 11th day of August, 2005, by the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA IN RE: The Estate of Betty Staehne, deceased** Case No. PC-05-76

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# SPORTS

## Views From.... THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The school bells were ringing once again last week here in Elba, and while the opening week of school always brings changes in routine for both students and teachers, it also brings with it a change in spending habits as it seems the students need money almost every day for a class or some other school related expense. At the Mularz house the beginning of school meant money for a volleyball camp, money for new volleyball shoes, money for cheerleader camp, money for cheerleader shoes, money for a parking permit, money for a lunch ticket and this year even money for a class ring. My poor checkbook is getting so thin I may soon be able to fold it and put it in my shirt pocket.

### FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH...

\*\*\* The fifth annual Foggy Bottom Football Classic will be held Friday night on the banks of the levee at Miller Memorial Stadium and once again the preseason contest will pit the Elba Tigers against an opponent they had never before played. This season the Tigers will welcome Coach Julius Head and his Ariton Purple Cats to Miller Memorial and spirits are high that the Tigers will be able to claim their fifth straight victory in the annual return to the birthplace of Elba Tiger football. The Tigers return almost their entire stable of skill players from a year ago and look to light up the scoreboard for their fans, while the Purple Cats are always one of the state's top small school programs and are known for being physical and stingy on defense. The game will be an interesting contrast in styles between the wide-open offensive attack of the Tigers and the conservative defensive style of the Purple Cats, and it should be a fun game to watch. See 'ya there!

\*\*\* I've been reading the papers and listening to the fans and from a preseason viewpoint it looks like an interesting season ahead. Here is what I have been able to piece together so far...

\* New Brockton has eight starters back on both sides of the ball and a big lineman that transferred in from Cottonwood, and last week Coach Shannon Clark was quoted in one newspaper as saying his goal was to host a first round playoff game. To host an opening round game the Gamecocks would have to finish in the top two in the region. So, it looks like Coach Clark and his team have big plans for the season.

\* Zion Chapel is also blessed with a load of returning starters and Coach Harry Lees was quoted as saying when a team isn't as talented as its opponent it has to outwork that opponent in order to win. The Rebels aren't as short on talent as Coach Lees would have one believe, but after the whipping the Rebels took last spring many fans aren't picking their team to be a region contender.

\*\*\* Kinston is low on numbers and experience, but Coach Larry Cotney has been quoted as saying his team is working hard and excited about the game of football, and that could mean the Dogs have an excellent chance to improve on last season's disappointing 1-9 record. Coach Cotney and his team won't strike fear in any of their opponents. However, the fans down the road are getting excited and that may mean the Bulldogs have a few surprises up their sleeves.

\* Brantley lost only a handful of players from last year's 13-1 squad and Coach David Lowery appears to once again be loaded for another run at a state title. The sixth year coach always down plays his teams chances and once again this season has been moaning about the players that graduated, but the truth is the Bulldogs are loaded and hungry to bring home a title. The fans in Brantley can't wait for the season to kick off and it seems the spirits are even higher than usual.

\*\*\* I talked with an official from the Alabama Conservation Department last week and was informed the Coffee County Lake would be closed for up to two years. The state has plans to drain the lake and then restock the lake to improve fishing, and also plans to build a new concession building and make other improvements to the lake and area around it. The fact the lake will be closed for up to two years is a little disappointing, but it should be a source of pride when it reopens and may become a showplace for area fresh water fishermen. Oh yea, I was also told as the lake was being drained people would be allowed to go out and get all the fish they want. I want to see how big some of the bass really are that I have heard so much about over the years.

\*\*\* In closing, I read last week that over the last five years the quarterback that was the starter for the opening game of the season at Alabama wasn't around at the end of the season to handle those same duties. Talk about no luck at all!

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## Tigers look to cage Ariton Purple Cats in fifth annual Foggy Bottom Classic at Miller Memorial



ELBA TIGER SENIORS... will be making their final visit to Miller Memorial Stadium Friday night when the Tigers host the Ariton Purple Cats in the 5th annual Foggy Bottom Football Classic. Kickoff will be 7:00 PM.

The Elba Tigers will make their annual trek down to Miller Memorial Stadium on Friday night for the fifth Foggy Bottom Classic, and while the Tigers boast a perfect 4-0 record in the preseason showcase, this season they will have their hands full when they hit the field to battle the Ariton Purple Cats.

Elba has continued its rich tradition at Miller Memorial in the four years the preseason game has been played and has posted wins over Zion Chapel 33-8, Samson 14-0 and 26-6 and Highland Home 46-41.

"Ariton is one of the top 1A football programs in the state and we know that Friday night we will have our hands full with Coach Head and his troops," stated Elba's Coach Scott Rials. "Ariton posted an 8-2 record a year ago and hosted a playoff game, and almost beat Brantley in the regular season. They preach defense first and are always very tough on the defensive side of the football, but last season they also put a lot of points on the scoreboard and we know that Friday night we will have the people back to do it again. Ariton will be a very physical football team that will be fundamentally sound in all areas and we will find out in a hurry just how good we are on both sides of the ball."

"We are going to come out and play our brand of football and hopefully gain some confidence in what we can do," added Coach Rials. "On offense we will run our system and spread the field in an attempt to use our speed, while on defense we will be basic and try to be solid both in the line and in the secondary. Last season we made some changes on the offensive side of the ball in an effort to cut down on turnovers, but this season we have had enough time to polish up the offense."

"I know last season was a disappointment for the fans, but we are excited to see how the season unfolds."

Following is a brief week #1 preview:

### BRANTLEY AT ELBA

The Elba Tigers will be hoping there truly is no place like home on opening night when they host the Brantley Bulldogs. The Tigers made the short trip up to Brantley the past two seasons and both times limped home after suffering big losses - 33-7 in '03 and 47-26 in '04. However, this season the Tigers have the Bulldogs on their home turf and hope to have an ambush set for Coach David Lowery and his 1A powerhouse. Coach Lowery has led the Bulldogs to a 62-15 record in his six seasons at the helm and many believe this year's team may be his best yet. While Brantley will be a heavy favorite, look for the Tigers to come out gunning and with a break or two this one could be a real South Alabama shoot-out!

### ZION CHAPEL AT NEW BROCKTON

This cross-county rivalry has turned into little more than a big win for the Gamecocks in recent years. However, the Rebels from Jack made it to the 1A playoffs last season and with a number of players returning the hopes are high in North Coffee County that this will be the year the Rebels pull off the upset. The Gamecocks are also loaded with eight returning starters on both sides of the ball, and there can be no doubt the coaches and players at New Brockton have this game circled as a "must win" opener. New Brockton will be a huge favorite and should win easily, but the Rebels will play to win and this one could be closer than many think.

### BULLOCK COUNTY AT KINSTON

The Kinston Bulldogs missed out on an opportunity to upset 4A Bullock County in last seasons opener and then struggled to win only one game the entire season. Because of that there is no doubt the Bulldogs have this game circled and believe a win over the Hornets could help give them the much needed shot of confidence and start the Bulldogs toward a winning season. While Bullock County has been a perennial loser in the 4A ranks, the Hornets have to believe they can win against Kinston and will enter the game looking to make some noise. Bullock County will be the favorite, but the Bulldogs will be hungry and could have a chance if the score is close late in the game.

## Youth sign up to end August 19

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation has announced registration for the upcoming "Youth Football" season will continue through August 19, with the registration period being for both football players and cheerleaders.

Age divisions for both football and cheerleading include Midget - ages 7-8, Termite - ages 9-10 and PeeWee - ages 11-12, with the age determined by one's age on August 1, 2005.

The Elba league competes in the Little Tri-County Football League with Brantley, Laverne, Highland Home, Goshen, Kinston, New Brockton and Zion Chapel, with games played on Saturday nights beginning with the midgets at 5:30 p.m.

The season will begin on Saturday, September 10, and continue for six straight weeks, with the league's Super Bowl to conclude the season on October 22.

Registration fees for football are \$25 per player, with a \$40 charge for two members of the same family and a \$60 maximum fee per family. The one fee includes the use of football equipment for the season, with the equipment to be returned upon completion of the season.

There is no registration fee for cheerleaders; however, all girls ages 7-12 must register to allow cheerleader coaches to organize squads and order uniforms. The uniforms are purchased by the cheerleaders and must be ordered in early August to assure delivery by the opening game of the season.

All boys and girls that register should bring a copy of their birth certificate to the Recreation Center and a list of emergency phone numbers.

Registration forms are available at the Elba Recreation Center, Elba City Hall and the Elba City Pool, and will also be available at the Elba City Schools during the opening week of classes.

Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

# SPORTS

## Fans may not notice

## New rules adopted for prep football season

Effective with the 2005 high school football season, a team will be limited to one forward pass during a down. Previously, a team could throw more than one forward pass during a down as long as the passes were thrown from in or behind the neutral zone.

This was one of 13 rules changes approved by the NFHS Football Rules Committee at its last meeting. The rules subsequently were approved by the NFHS Board of Directors. The NFHS Football Rules Committee is composed of one voting member from each NFHS state high school association as well as representatives of the NFHS Coaches Association and NFHS Officials Association.

"The throwing of multiple passes in a down in high school football is not a very common occurrence," said Jerry Diehl, NFHS assistant director. "Because teams don't see it that often, confusion has existed regarding the second pass."

"Since teams rarely use this option, the committee determined it would be best not to allow more than one forward pass in an effort to reduce confusion regarding when pass interference rules are in effect for either team. This change should assist the offense, defense and the game officials in determining when pass eligibility rules apply."

Two changes were made in Rule 1-5 (player equipment) with risk management in mind. Beginning with the 2006 season, all helmets shall be secured with a four-snap chin strap, and a colored tooth protector (not clear or white) will be required. Diehl said that a survey of helmet manufacturers, it was determined that new helmets are being produced with the four-snap chin strap. The four-snap chin strap will increase the possibility of the helmet staying in place during game action more than the traditional two-snap chin strap.

"The NFHS Sports Medicine Advisory Committee recommended that a colored tooth protector be required," Diehl said. "The official's responsibility is more easily completed with the use of a colored product. There is no additional cost for a colored tooth protector."

Two changes were approved to help officials better determine the 11 legal offensive players in the game. The first change will require a mark 12 inches in length, 4 inches in width and 9 yards from each sideline to be located on each 10-yard line. The other change will require all offensive players to be, momentarily, between the 9-yard marks after the ready for play and prior to the snap, and adhere to all other pre-snap requirements. The 9-yard markings are not required on fields that are visibly numbered.

"The Football Rules Committee has considered various issues over the past few years to address substitutions and the balance between offense and defense," said Brad Chisholm, chairman of the Committee from Pennsylvania. "Teams were reportedly returning to previous practices of hiding players near the sideline as well as attempting to deceive the opponents with various substitution abnormalities."

"The previous rule requiring each offensive player to be within 15 yards of the ball was inconsistently applied since it contained no easily verifiable, fixed reference point for officials to administer."

In addition to the substitution rule mentioned above, several other substitution and illegal participation rules were revised to clarify omissions and eliminate conflicts within the rules.

In Rule 3, the substitution rule was changed to make the entry of a substitute during the down a foul for illegal participation rather than illegal substitution. Rule 3-7 was amended to require all players, replaced players and substitutes to leave the field on the side of their team box, and that replaced players or substitutes go directly to their team box.

Rule 9-6 was amended to classify the entry of a player, replaced player or substitute as illegal participation if such happens during the down, and to clearly state the penalty for illegal participation.

In addition to the one forward pass restriction, two other changes were approved in Rule 7.5 dealing with forward passes. Hiding an opponent's vision without making an attempt to catch, intercept or bat the ball is pass interference, even though no contact was made. This change provides rules support for what has been interpreted as a foul. In addition, contact by a defender obviously away from the direction of the pass is not considered pass interference.

"This addition to the forward-pass classification clarifies that contact away from the direction of the pass would not constitute forward-pass interference," Diehl said. "This change does not remove the restrictions on illegal use of the hands, holding or a personal foul that is committed during any play."

Beginning with the 2008 season, hand pads must meet the same standard as gloves concerning the level of tackiness. The hand pads shall bear the NF/NCAA label, indicating

compliance with test specifications on file with the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association as of Jan. 1, 1994.

"More and more products are being produced that apparently are tackier than the specifications allowed for gloves," he said. "This situation is causing concern that players are gaining an advantage; therefore, the same requirements for gloves will apply (in 2008) to hand pads."

With a revision to the exception in Rule 8-5-2a, the momentum rule will now apply to a grounded ball. Previously, the momentum rule applied only to an intercepted forward pass, fumble or backward pass by an opponent or a caught scrimmage or free kick.

Other changes approved by the committee:

Rule 1-5-3 - The manufacturer logo/trademark restriction now includes any company reference.

Rule 3-3-4 - A period shall not be extended when a foul occurs that specifies a loss of down. This will prevent a team from gaining an advantage by committing a "loss of down" foul.

Rule 7-2 (Penalty - "Illegal procedure" terminology has been removed from the rules book and signal chart.

Rule 9-4-2 - Non-players were added to those who are covered under the illegal personal contact rule.

In addition to these rules changes, the Committee approved four points of emphasis for the 2005 high school season—heat and hydration and their effect on weight; sparring, but blocking, face blocking and chop blocks; sideline management; and game management.

Cleaning fish is considered the unpleasant chore that lies between the two pleasurable experiences of catching and eating fish. I can remember when the most popular way of keeping fish alive was the cord or metal fish stringer. The cord type was used for panfish and the chain type was for larger fish.

Probably the best of the inexpensive methods of retaining live fish today is the collapsible metal fish basket. Fish will remain alive much longer in a wire basket or a boat live well. No matter how you store them, the objective is to keep them alive until you can clean them.

Fresh fish may be preserved to eat later by either freezing, canning, smoking pickling or drying. Freezing is by far the most popular method. Freeze only good quality fresh caught fish because of all the meats, fish tend to spoil the fastest. Fish began spoiling because of the bacteria on the surface of every fish. The bacteria will begin to rapidly multiply on a dead fish that is held in relative warm water.

Three elements are required to properly freeze a fish. Careful handling of the fish after they are caught, proper wrapping material to prevent freezer burn, and a freezer that will maintain a temperature of 0 degrees Fahrenheit. Fish should be immediately cleaned and prepared for freezing just like they were going to be cooked. Larger fish can be cut into steaks. This is a cut across the backbone at about one-inch intervals. Fillets are boneless portions cut lengthwise away from the ribs. Small fish, such as bluegills, can be frozen whole.

Fish should be wrapped in heavy aluminum foil or heavy-duty freezer bags. When freezing several fish together, place them in the same package with separate layer of packaging material between each fish. Glazing the fish before freezing will reduce drip loss and make the fish taste better.

The easiest way to glaze fish is to place the fish in a container and cover the fish with water and freeze it. The fish is frozen in a small block of ice that can be thawed out in the refrigerator. Another way to glaze a fish for the freezer is to place the fish in a shallow baking pan and put the fish in the freezer. As soon as the fish is frozen, take the fish and dip it in near freezing water and immediately put it back in the freezer. Repeat this process until the fish is covered with a uniform covering of ice, then place it in a freezer bag, label it and freeze.

Fish can be stored on ice out on the boat or when bank fishing, but it improves the taste if they are gutted as soon as possible. I've known more than a few fishermen who skipped on the ice and remained on a honey hole because the fish were biting only to loose fish to spoilage. Ice is cheap-take an extra bag.

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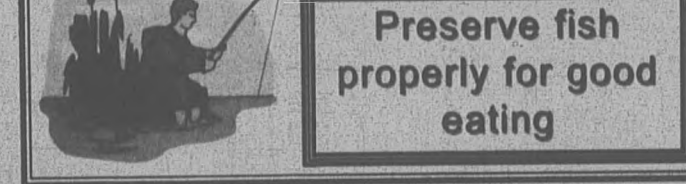
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DALTON BRYAN, age 6, caught this 5 1/2 pound gar while fishing with his grand-daddy Dal Farris at Black Creek. He is the son of Danny Bryan and Sonya Bryan.

## Let's Go... Outdoors with Ben

by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist



Preserve fish properly for good eating

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The easiest way to glaze fish is to place the fish in a container and cover the fish with water and freeze it. The fish is frozen in a small block of ice that can be thawed out in the refrigerator. Another way to glaze a fish for the freezer is to place the fish in a shallow baking pan and put the fish in the freezer. As soon as the fish is frozen, take the fish and dip it in near freezing water and immediately put it back in the freezer. Repeat this process until the fish is covered with a uniform covering of ice, then place it in a freezer bag, label it and freeze.

Fish can be stored on ice out on the boat or when bank fishing, but it improves the taste if they are gutted as soon as possible. I've known more than a few fishermen who skipped on the ice and remained on a honey hole because the fish were biting only to loose fish to spoilage. Ice is cheap-take an extra bag.

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# CLASS IN SESSION



**ELBA ELEMENTARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION COACH** Glenn Johnson goes through an exercise routine with kindergarten Kani Brooks.



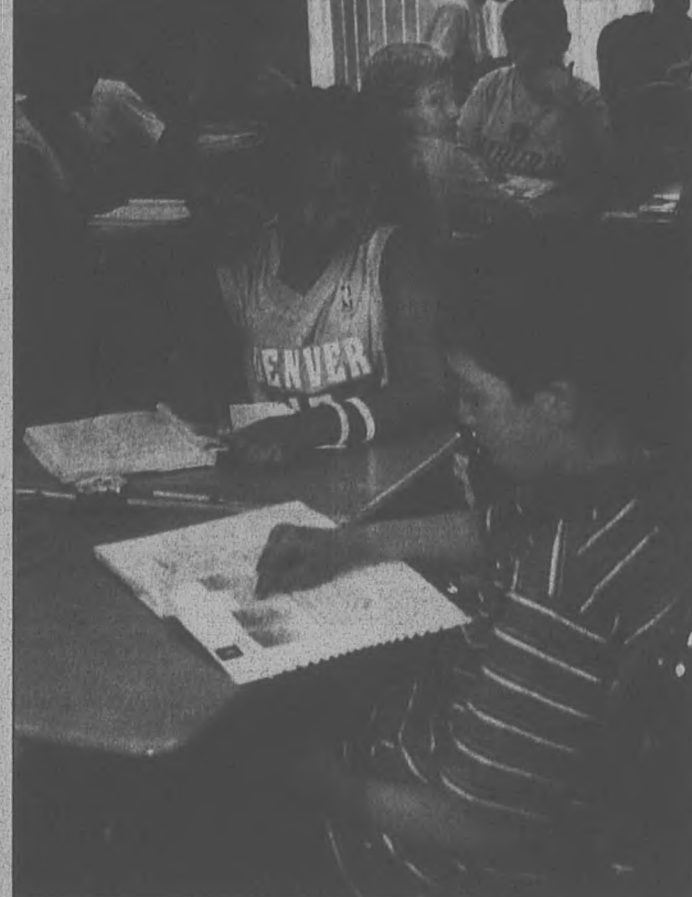
**NEW FACULTY MEMBER** Amanda Martin has the attention of her second block class at Elba High School. The students, seventh graders, seemed to be ready for any and all challenges at the high school.



**KINDERGARTNER** Jessica Lewis quickly has learned the importance of exercise during her physical education class.



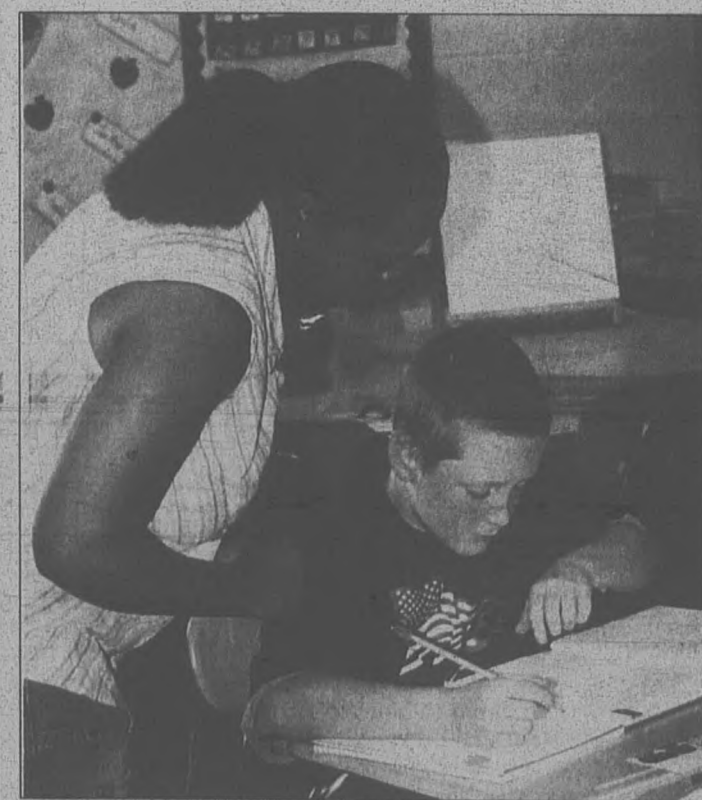
**ELBA HIGH STUDENTS** Trey Davis, Brandon Kelly and Rashad Robinson pay close attention to their English teacher, Wanda Bucklew, a new faculty member at Elba High.



**ELBA ELEMENTARY SIXTH GRADE STUDENTS** Lexus Clark and Seth Hanchey along with their fellow classmates point to the correct word in the textbook while listening for instructions from their teacher Debra Crosby. The lesson is part of the school's advanced anatomy and physiology class.



**KEEPING AN EYE ON THINGS...**Elba City Schools superintendent Danny Weeks and Elba High School principal Johnny Dunn discuss a new security system that helps them keep an eye on the happenings in and around the school. Images captured by cameras throughout the school allow the administrators to survey several areas at one time simply by looking at a computer monitor.



**ELBA ELEMENTARY FIFTH GRADE TEACHER** Kayla Harrison assists David Hutchison with his reading skills. After only one week with the new Reading Mastery program, administrators said they are very excited because the students and faculty seem to have caught on so quickly.



**KINDERGARTNER** Dalton Register finds p.e. class to be more fun than hard work.

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# SCHOOL NEWS

## Kinston Schools welcome new faculty and staff

Kinston Schools welcome new faculty and staff members for the 2005-06 school term.

In the elementary school, Sandy Reeves will be teaching kindergarten. She comes to Kinston from New Brockton Elementary School where she taught first grade for the past three years.

Carol Young will be teaching third grade at Kinston. She comes from Mississippi.

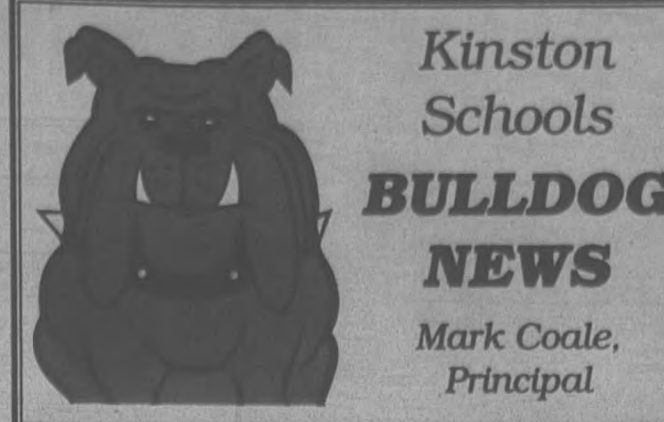
Jennifer Lee will be the new reading coach. She comes to Kinston from New Brockton.

Bobbie Williams returns as an instructional aide after a stint in New Brockton.

In the high school, Jenelle Smith will be the business education teacher. She comes to Kinston from the Alabama Department of Revenue where she was an auditor with the board of examiners.

Karen Thornton will teach junior high school language arts. She comes from Saks School in Anniston, Ala.

Samuel Dean will teach junior high mathematics. He comes to Kinston from Loachapoka High School in Lee County.



On July 21st and July 22nd, Kinston High School hosted a volleyball camp. Coach Janie Wiggins and Bridgett Marlowe instructed over 60 girls varying in age from 6 to 18-years-old. These girls worked hard and learned basic skills as well as advanced team skills. "I would like to thank all of the parents and coaches who made it possible for these girls to be at camp," said Coach Wiggins. The Andalusia junior varsity and varsity players are not pictured but also participated along with girls from Kinston and Opp.

## Kinston PTO conducting cookbook fund raiser

The Kinston PTO is kicking off the year with a new fund raiser.

The organization has decided to publish a school cookbook filled to the brim with the best recipes from the Kinston community.

This marks the first time a cookbook has been published for the school, and organizers are certain the cookbook will become a cherished keepsake.

The PTO is anticipating a demand for the cookbooks, so they want to be certain to order enough. Currently, pre-orders are being accepted at \$10 per cookbook. After this sale, cookbooks will be \$12.

To order, send a check or money order (payable to Kinston PTO) along with the number of books requested to Kinston PTO • P.O. Box 588 • Kinston, AL 36453.

For questions, contact the project coordinators - Jennifer Holley at (334) 565-3186 or Cindy Smith at (334) 565-3727.

In order to receive these books prior to the Christmas holiday, the deadline to accept recipes is Monday, Aug. 22. One or more of each individual's recipes will be selected for the cookbook with the cook's name printed with each recipe.

## Kinston Volleyball Schedule

thru September 15th			
Aug. 25	New Brockton	JV, V	4:00 Home
Aug. 27	Kinston Set Off	V	9:00 Home
Aug. 29	Dauphin	8th	4:00 Home
Aug. 29	Dauphin	9th	5:00 Home
Aug. 30	Trinity	JV, V	4:00 Trinity
Aug. 30	St. James	JV, V	5:00
Sept. 1	Elba	JR, JV, V	4:00 Away
Sept. 2,3	MAC ATTACK	V	TBA Montgomery
Sept. 6	Elba	JR, JV, V	4:00 Home
Sept. 8	Andalusia	JR, JV, V	4:00 Home
Sept. 12	Andalusia vs. Opp	JR	4:00 Home
Sept. 12	Kinston vs. Andalusia	JR	5:00 Home
Sept. 12	Kinston vs. Opp	JR	6:00 Home
Sept. 13	Zion Chapel	V	4:00 Home
Sept. 13	ZC vs. Providence	V	5:00 Home
Sept. 13	vs. Providence	V	6:00 Home
Sept. 15	Opp	JR, JV, V	4:00 Away



Orientation was held Monday, Aug. 1, for seventh graders at Kinston Schools. After the orientation, the students were allowed to open lockers for the first time. Above, Trent Archie learns how to open his locker.



Seventh graders (left to right) Ashley Snell, Sara Mock and Allison Bess are excited about the new school year.

## Upcoming Events at Kinston Schools:

August 22nd, 23rd and 24th - Dibels Testing  
September 9 - School Pictures

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"The way to save money is in every driver's hands, and sometimes feet," said Ray Palermo, director of public relations for national auto insurer, Response Insurance. "Everything comes down to two basic categories of advice," explained Palermo, "car care and driving habits." He offered drivers a few pieces of advice.

Lighten the car's load by removing all unnecessary items

from the trunk, such as the bag of sand and shovel from the winter. Every 200 pounds of weight reduces gas efficiency by one mile per gallon. If you have to carry a lot of baggage, avoid using a roof-top container, which will increase the air drag. If you drive a pick-up truck, the open bed will have the same impact, so put a cover on it.

Incorrectly inflated tires decrease fuel efficiency. Check vehicle and tire manufacturer for proper inflation.

Don't turn on the air conditioner as a first response to the heat. Start your drive off with the windows open to exhaust the hot air out of the rear windows and then put on the A/C if needed. This will also enable the air conditioning to work faster and more efficiently when turned on.

Smooth out your driving

style by avoiding "jack rabbit" starts and sharp braking. Both expend gas and can present a hazard for others on the road.

It's estimated that every mile per hour driven above 55 MPH costs 1% in fuel economy. So, slowing down can be both safe and fuel-efficient. Maintaining a constant speed also maximizes your car's performance. If road conditions permit, use your car's cruise control.

Traveling at a fast speed in a low gear wastes gas.

Accelerate a little as you approach a hill, rather than hitting the gas and switching gears once on the incline.

A free brochure, Improving Your Gas Mileage - 10 Tips to Save You Money at the Gas Pump, is available by calling 1-800-610-5928 or at their website: www.response.com

## SEAC workshops set for August 22

The Special Education Action Committee (SEAC) Parent Partners Center will present FREE information workshops on August 22, 2005 and August 23rd at 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. These workshops will be presented at the WRC Lions Hall, 795 Ross Clark Circle, Dothan, Ala. Topics presented will be Special Education Law, The Evaluation Process, Writing an (Individual) Education Process (IEP), a Communication workshop titled Effective Communication/Problem

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**Monday Nights: August 22 - December 5, 2005**  
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APPROXIMATELY THIRTY volunteers at New Hope Senior Center were honored with Appreciation Dinner Saturday, Aug. 6th at 5:30 p.m. The dinner was hosted by Director Gail Stewart. The festive atmosphere was reflected by the Italian decor, food and music. Everyone enjoyed this delightful evening.

## Free Seminar at Troy University examines the Vietnam War

Gain a deeper understanding of the Vietnam War at Troy University. Wednesday, August 17, the Senior World Group of Dothan will host a free educational seminar titled "The Historical Perspective of the Vietnam War." The seminar begins at 9:00 a.m. in Adams Hall on the Dothan Campus.

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Tuesday - Waffles/ Syrup, Link Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Tuesday - Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, English Peas, Roll, Sliced Peaches, Milk
Wednesday - Pop Tart, Cheese, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Wednesday - Chili w/ Beans, Cheese Sandwich, Mixed Vegetables, 1/2 Orange, Milk
Thursday - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage Patties, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Thursday - Burrito w/ Cheese, Rice, Green Salad, 1/2 Apple, Milk
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## Elba City Council approves new city logo

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council adopted a new city logo Monday night. The new logo had been proposed to the council several weeks ago by the Elba Chamber of Commerce. It contains a slogan of "Tradition With Vision".

The vote was unanimous but most council members were very slow in casting ballots, indicating some reservations. However there was no open discussion on the issue.

Mayor James Grimes reported he had received written approval of a CDBG \$500,000 sewer improvement project. The sewers on Martin Luther King Drive, Moore, Adkinson, Kendrick Mullins and Farris streets will see the upgrade. Elba will provide \$77,050 of the half million dollar project.

Police Chief Freddy Hancey told council members that business has been routine for the past two weeks. He added that in response to complaints of citizens, citations have been issued to clean up two separate premises. Hancey was optimistic this would solve the problem.

Mayor Grimes told council members that income for the first nine months was up slightly but so were expenses. He added that some of the elevated expenses could be attributed to the early payment of one time expenses, which would even out by year-end.

The council also approved a resolution, requested by the Coffee County Emergency Management, endorsing the implementation of the National Incident Management System, scheduled to go into effect in

2007.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham explained to council members that virtually all the vehicles in the Recreation Department were "hand-me-downs". He said time after time they are causing lots of trouble and delays due to mechanical problems.

The clerk explained he has found a state surplus vehicle (1/2 ton truck) that is "in real good shape" and can be purchased at a reasonable price. He wanted permission to purchase this vehicle and take another one off the road because it is "real dangerous".

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